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RESPONSIBILITY OF MUSLIM STATES TOWARD SUDAN

As part of the Islamic Council's campaign to bring urgent relief to the people of Sudan stricken by the flood disaster, Mr Salem Azzam, the Council's Secretary General, has sent a telegram to King Fahd bin Abdul Aziz, the text of which is as follows:

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We welcome your donation of 5 million dollars to the Sudan relief fund. The floods have brought unimaginable calamity and have rendered millions of people homeless and destitute, facing disease, starvation and death. We appeal to you as Custodian of the Holy Places to take the initiative for the relief and rehabilitation of the people of Sudan, for which massive resources are needed to be funded by rich Muslim governments. We do not want it to be said that Saudi Arabia and the Gulf States contributed thousands of millions of dollars towards the Gulf War, which saw over one million people dead, and were less generous in their humanitarian aid to their Muslim brothers in Sudan. We earnestly hope that you will seize this opportunity by taking the appropriate initiative which will please Allah and raise your prestige among Muslims everywhere.
May Allah reward your noble efforts.

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